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SUBJECT: JOINT IVORIAN-BRAZILIAN COMMUNIQUE

1. BRAZIL'S MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, ANTONIO F.A. DA SILVEIRA, ENDED A THREE-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO IVORY COAST ON JUNE 25. DURING HIS STAY, HE MET WITH PRESIDENT HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY, WHO CONFIRMED HIS INTENTION TO MAKE AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO BRAZIL. HE WAS HOSTED THROUGHOUT BY FOREIGN MINISTER ASSOUAN USHER, AND ALSO MET WITH PHILIPPE YACE, PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, AND SEVERAL CABINET MINISTERS.

2. AT THE END OF THE VISIT, THE BRAZILIAN AND THE IVORIAN FOREIGN MINISTERS SIGNED A JOINT COMMUNIQUE, PROMISING COOPERATION IN AREAS THAT CURRENTLY OCCUPY THE INTERNATIONAL POLICIES MOST OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:

A. THEY REAFFIRMED THEIR OPPOSITION TO ALL FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND EXPRESSED THEIR CONFIDENCE THAT DIALOGUE COULD HELP BRING SELF-DETERMINATION TO THE PEOPLES OF SOUTHERN AFRICA.

B. THEY STRESSED THAT A NEW WORLD ECONOMIC ORDER MUST BE FOUND THAT WOULD ASSURE MORE EQUITABLE PARTICIPATION BY DEVELOPING

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COUNTRIES IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND ECONOMIC POLICY, AND THAT

THEY WOULD COOPERATE MORE CLOSELY IN THE U.N. TO FURTHER THIS POSITION.

C. THEY ALSO STATED THEIR INTENTION TO COOPERATE IN ARRIVING AT A MORE PROFITABLE WORLD COFFEE PRICE.

D. BRAZIL AGREED TO PROVIDE IVORY COAST WITH \$10 MILLION IN CREDITS FOR BRAZILIAN MANUFACTURED GOODS.

3. COMMENT: THE COMMUNIQUE IS, IN THE MAIN, A REHASH OF BILATERAL ACCORDS REACHED BETWEEN BRAZIL AND SEVERAL AFRICAN COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE IVORY COAST, IN 1972, DURING THE EARLY DAYS OF BRAZIL'S OUTWARD REACHING POLICY TOWARD AFRICA. ALWAYS WARMLY WELCOMED IN THE IVORY COAST, THE BRAZILIANS SHOULD BE ON EVEN FIRMER FOOTING WITH CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS IN PORTUGUESE AFRICA.
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